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Information circular*

To: Members of delegations and staff

From: The Under-Secretary-General for Management

Subject: **First day of issue — 3 May 2007: "Coin and Flag" stamp series**

Commemorative stamps

1. On 3 May 2007, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will continue its Coin and Flag series by releasing 24 new stamps in the denominations of $0.39, SwF 0.85 and €0.55. This is the second consecutive year of the stamp series representing the coins and flags of Member States of the United Nations. The series is expected to run for approximately eight years, until all 192 Member States are issued.

2. The Member States represented on the 2007 Coin and Flag stamp sheets are as follows: Brazil, Thailand, India, South Africa, Viet Nam, Ecuador, Barbados, the Republic of Korea, Burkina Faso, France, Bolivia, Myanmar, Moldova, Papua New Guinea, Mali, Tunisia, Trinidad and Tobago, Sierra Leone, Croatia, Spain, Hungary, San Marino, Kazakhstan and Ireland.

3. The three mini-sheets, consisting of two panes of four stamps, will each accommodate eight different coins and flags and will be issued in the denominations of $0.39, SwF 0.85 and €0.55. (United States equivalents: SwF 0.85: $0.70 and €0.55: $0.72 cents, subject to exchange rate fluctuation.)

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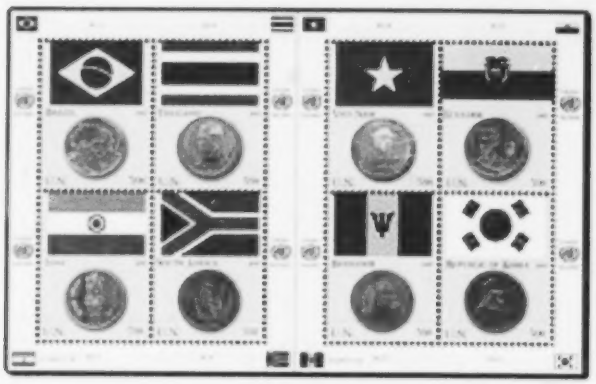
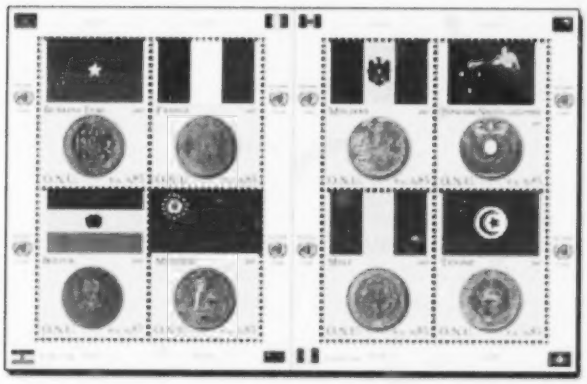


United States currency-denominated sheet



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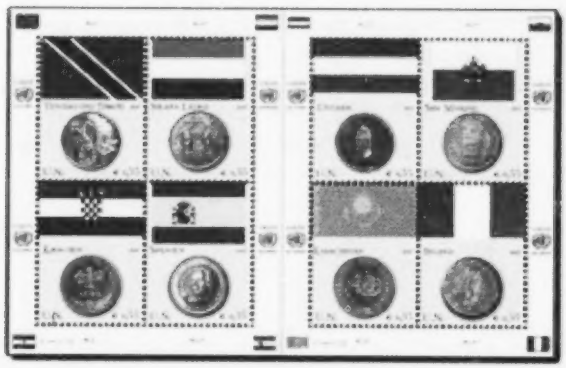

Euro-denominated sheet

4. UNPA will continue to incorporate an ultraviolet luminescent security feature, which was first introduced in the previous year's series, for the entire Coin and Flag stamp series.

5. For the duration of the production of the series, a special collection folder containing one mint single stamp of each of the coin and flag stamps issued each year will be available. The folder is in tri-fold format and will consist of six panes of stamps and mounts.

General information

6. For the convenience of collectors, UNPA at Headquarters will provide prepared and cancelled New York, Geneva and Vienna first-day covers on the UNPA official first-day cachets **only**. Members of delegations and the staff can obtain these items on Thursday, 3 May, at the following locations:

(a) UNPA sales counter in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.;

(b) Temporary sales counter located on the east side of the Secretariat lobby, in front of the windows, between the cafeteria and the news-stand, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

7. First-day-of-issue cancellations can be obtained at a temporary United States Postal Service substation located outside the United Nations Bookshop in the concourse of the General Assembly Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

8. Information on United Nations stamps can be accessed on the Internet at http://unstamps.un.org.